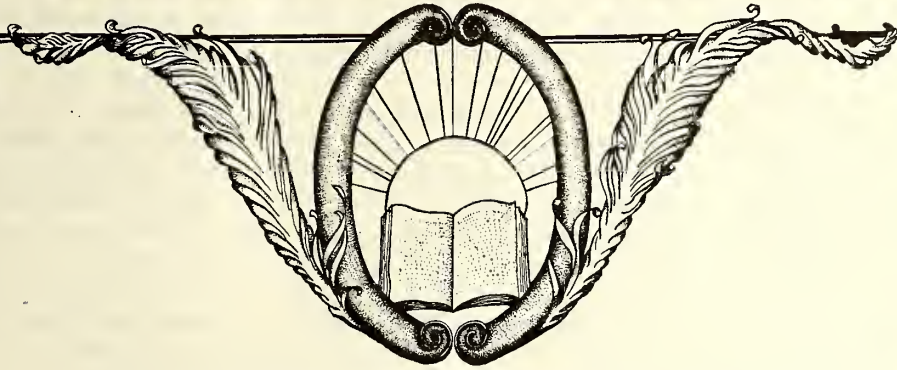


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LIFE.

By John R. Clements.

Life is more than having plenty;
Life is more than one and twenty;
Life is long!
Life is what we will to make it;
We may build or we may break it;
Life is strong!

Life is throbbing, never ending;
Never spent, though always spending;
Life is gain.
Never growing, though ever growing;
Life is one long round of sowing,—
Joy or pain.

Here to-day, and then to-morrow
Land of bliss, or land of sorrow;
Which we will.
Once begun life's never ceasing,
Through eternity increasing
Good or ill.

Solemn, then, the truth of living;
Time must shape eternal giving,
Boundless life!
Here a day to fit for ages,
Measureless by wisest sages,—
Soundless life.

—In C. E. World.

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EDITORIAL.

GOOD CHEER.

Straightway Jesus spoke unto them, saying, Be of good cheer: it is I; be not afraid. Matt. 14:27. Golden Text for Sunday October 6, 1912.

What a bright, happy, cheerful world this would be if everybody loved Jesus and nobody was afraid of Him. Many people are afraid of Jesus. Strange, but true. They think Jesus is angry at them when and because they do wrong, commit sin, engage in evil. Jesus is not, but many think He is. He is certainly not pleased with the deeds and conduct of people who do wrong; but He is certainly not angry with any. At least the Bible does not teach that He is, and His life while here on earth did not show that He was. Evil conduct, bad deeds, corrupt speech and practice grieve Him, cause Him to suffer with regret and pity and compassion; but He does not show anger, or resentment, or a resolution to return evil for evil. He returns good for evil. Jesus is simply seeking to love this world into the right way of living. He is going to win the world to Him in love, or not at all. He is going to love away the cruelty and crime and hardness of the world. He is going to change men's heart into loving Him by loving them first and most abundantly.

We shall have to keep learning that Jesus is our friend, not our foe, our lover. One, not our enemy and that He is ever present with us if only we will let Him be. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in and sup with him, and he with me."

This is related. A busy woman entered her room, turned on the light, seized her pen, bent her head over the desk writing for quite a while to a dear friend. The solitude became oppressive and the writer grew weary in trying to open her thoughts to her—as she thought of a far distant friend. Finally she turned her chair and, with a shock of joyful surprise, looked squarely into the smiling face of her friend who was lying on the lounge by her side. "Why I didn't know you were here," said the writer. "Why didn't you speak to me?"

"Because you were so busy. You didn't speak to me." Jesus is not far off. He is our dearest friend, and He is here all the time, especially is He near by when trials, troubles, dangers, difficulties come. In the lesson of today we find the disciples of Jesus in much peril. They think

their Master far off and that conditions are such, natural conditions, that He cannot come to them. They are surrounded by difficulties, dangers, obstacles, perils that would naturally keep Him away. How foolish, faithless, groundless their reckoning. Ere they are aware He comes walking toward them. And then when they saw Him coming they are afraid of Him.

The trouble was without. The sea was disturbed. There was tumult in the heavens. Jesus is able to overcome all these things and to appear right in the midst of them.

So in time of tumult and tempest and trial and tears Jesus can appear, will appear and does appear if we will only look up and recognize Him.

Christ's presence assures safety and security at all times and every where.

GODLY CONVERSATION.

There was not always peace in heaven. There was when that best abode had wars and woes and worries and what not. Satan was there. And there never has been any peace, where Satan is. He stirred up war and strife and bitter seditions in heaven. He does the same on earth. As he was the source of all of heaven's woes, so is he now the cause of all of earth's wars, great and small, national, individual and domestic.

Now that there might be peace in heaven means were resorted to to drive Satan out. Two weapons were employed: 1st The blood of the Lamb; 2nd The word of their testimony. "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and the word of their testimony." (Rev. 12:11). These are the weapons the inhabitants of heaven employed to dislodge and drive him, maddened and defeated, therefrom.

If earth would drive Satan out it must needs use these same weapons, the blood of the Lamb and Godly conversation.

Nothing less than this will drive Satan from this earth. This evident because, being dislodged from heaven, his former abode, he is making a desperate, bold and fearless effort to maintain himself here on earth. This is his final stand: and a deadly war he is waging to hold his own and gain the victory here.

We will certainly have to employ these means to drive him out, the blood of the Lamb, and the word of their testimony.

Now the Blood has been shed. That transaction was of a wise appointment and was brought to a finish on the Cross. There God did His part in driving Satan out. He provided the Lamb; and this Lamb was slain, His blood shed. That was the divine part of the transaction.

Our part is Godly conversation. We

shall need to speak to one another often about these things. We need to talk often and long and much about our salvation, our redemption, our God and His power to save. Brethren and beloved, do we talk enough about the goodness of God and His many blessings and benefits to us?

A NEW SUBSCRIBER.

It delights our hearts to add a new name to our subscription list. And this delight, we are sure does not come merely of the dollar and a half it may mean on the ledger.

But did you ever think what adding a new name to the list of your church paper's subscribers meant? It means much indeed: but there are a few things that it certainly means:

A new lover of our Christian name and faith.

A new friend, a more intelligent and enthusiastic friend, to our Colleges, to our Orphanage, to our missionaries, to our church.

A new helper to his pastor and to the mission cause in every way.

A more loyal and consecrated man or woman to all that pertains to the kingdom.

A new adherent to, and an earnest enquirer after, the faith of the fathers that blazed the way to Christian liberty.

A more liberal giver, a more intelligent person, a more consecrated heart. Every new subscriber to The Sun means that much, and more.

CONVENTION MISSION BOARD.

The Convention Mission Board was in annual session at Elon College September 25, all members being present, to wit, Col. J. E. West Chairman, Revs. H. W. Elder and J. W. Holt, K. B. Johnson, J. O. Atkinson Secretary. The Board reviewed the work of points receiving aid the past year and found each point so helped doing well.

There were applications for help at places where the Board's jurisdiction did not admit of contributions. The Board was pleased with the beginning of a work at High Point and Asheboro and voted an appropriation to assist in sustaining the work there the coming year. Of the other points receiving some aid were, Raleigh on a pledge of last year, Chapel Hill, N. C. Third Church, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Rose Hill, Columbus, Ga. and Winchester, Va. Not one fourth the amount needed by these places could be appropriated, but the funds at hand were distributed in such way as to keep the work going at each place.

In keeping with a vote of the last session of the Convention the Board ordered

15 per cent. of its funds for this year, estimated to be \$200.00 be sent to the A. C. C. Board so that our Foreign Mission Funds should go to foreign missions, as the Convention has voted that it should do.

The Board also took out papers of incorporation as the Convention directed and made provisions for the beginning of a Loan Fund, this Board setting aside 10 per cent of the funds this year for that purpose. Of the incorporation Col. J. E. West was made Chairman, Rev. J. W. Holt, Vice-Chairman, J. O. Atkinson, Secretary and Treasurer. This Loan Fund should amount to much in the future and will do so if the decision of the Convention for all the Conferences is carried out, as we presume it will be. The fund is for the purpose of making loans at low interest and on good safe security to churches needing such funds for building purposes.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

College Men and the Ministry.

That the leading colleges and universities of this country were founded originally for religious purposes, by ministers, and for the training, primarily of men for the ministry is a well known fact to history. Harvard and Yale and Princeton, three of our greatest and largest were so founded. Time was when one fourth of all the graduates from the University of Pennsylvania went into the ministry. Dartmouth and Brown and Oberlin and the University of Michigan once showed a large per cent. of their students entering the ministry.

This has changed, and the per cent. of those entering other professions now far exceed that of those entering the ministry. A recent summary from 37 representative colleges shows teaching as the leading profession into which graduates go, this profession claiming 21 per cent.; business comes next with 20 per cent.; law next with 11 per cent.; medicine between 6 and 7 per cent.; the ministry coming far down the list with only 5 or 6 per cent., at present the lowest average for this calling in the history of American institutions.

We are of opinion that this small per cent. of men entering the ministry from these representative institutions may be accounted for to some extent on the ground of the large number of small, or denominational colleges, to which most men go who expect to enter the ministry and we doubt if many of these are included in the count of "37 representative colleges."

Still, this is a materialistic age, and men are money bent. That more men now enter business from the graduating platform than go into any other vocation is significant and tells the tendency of the times in convincing manner.

Country Boys and Missionaries.

It is not significant that most missionaries come from country churches? And furthermore, that most foreign missionaries come from home mission churches? The records of three States are before us as touching this matter, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts. From the first named 171 missionaries have gone out under the American Board. Only three of the number came from cities, the other 168 from country places. From Vermont 217 missionaries have gone out under the American Board and practically all went from the country, seven of whom by the way went from one church of less than one hundred members. From Massachusetts the Board has sent 556 missionaries, only 13 of whom went from Boston, the chief city, and the most of them came from the country churches. And a large per cent. of the churches sending missionaries are themselves being helped by the Home Mission Society. The city may be as pious and as reverential and obedient to the divine Will as the country, but these interesting facts do not seem to argue so.

ELON COLLEGE NOTES.

We have had so many visitors and events in such rapid succession the past week that the writer hardly knows where to begin.

The Mission Board of the Southern Convention had its meeting Wednesday and appropriated funds to many points, also arranging for its incorporation as per order of the last session of the Convention. The full membership of the Board was in attendance, who are besides Dr. Atkinson, Rev. H. W. Elder, Richland, Ga., Col. J. E. West, Suffolk, Va., Rev. J. W. Holt, Burlington, N. C., and Brother K. B. Johnson, Cardenas, N. C.

The Executive Board of the Trustees of the College met also on Wednesday and elected Mr. Calvin James Felton A. B., Magnolia, Va., instructor in English and Mathematics. Mr. Felton graduates in June 1912 and expects to give his life to the ministry, but will help the College out of a hole this year necessitated by the increased enrollment.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Woodward, Suffolk, Va., and Mrs. J. W. Page, Burlington, N. C., visited their sons who are students here

on Wednesday. We were glad of their visit, but regretted its brevity. The orphanage also found in them sincere admirers, and every inmate of that institution has something to remember the visit of Brother Woodward for with gratitude.

Rumor has it that Uncle Jim of the Orphanage has accepted the important call of the Waverly, Va., brethren to be their pastor. We regret exceedingly to lose Brother Foster and his family from our midst, but rejoice in Waverly's good fortune.

Mrs. Willis J. Lee, Driver, Va., was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Atkinson Sunday.

Dr. Atkinson preached a great sermon Sunday, according to all reports, tho' this writer was not privileged to hear him.

The theme was Reaching Heaven. He spoke feelingly and impressively of the part the good people of our village can do and play in the formation of the wholesome Christian spirit that obtains here.

Among the Alumni and old students here this week were: J. P. Farmer, News Ferry, Va.; Bunn Hearne, Chapel Hill, N. C. and B. C. Moffitt, Sanford, N. C. They were gladly welcome.

Dr. Amick attended the Business Board Meeting of the State Christian Endeavor Union in Raleigh, N. C. on Saturday. Our Raleigh church, Dr. L. F. Johnson, pastor, is to be the host to the next Convention in June 1913.

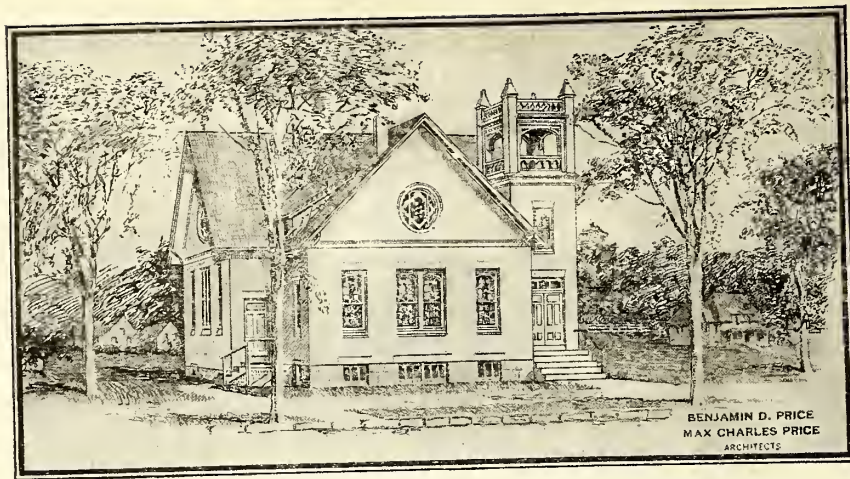
Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hobby are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. M. A. Atkinson, Mr. Hobby has sent several of his children here to school and has a daughter here now. Elon always welcomes him and wife gladly.

Mrs. L. C. Hutchinson, Norfolk, Va., is visiting the College this week, her son Lawrence being a student here.

The Shakespear Club met with Miss Annie Watson on Saturday. Macbeth was the play studied. The atmosphere in our homes has been ghostly ever since and redolent with learned quotations and dramatic scenes. The men of our town must become literary or they will be behind the times.

W. A. H.

—Will our Georgia and Alabama brethren take notice of Rev. L. I. Cox' appointments printed elsewhere this week and make same known at the churches. It is with deep regret The Sun's editor cannot attend these Conferences this year as he had so pleasurably anticipated, but conflicting engagements forbid. We know our brethren, sisters and friends will be delighted with Bro. Cox and will hear him with great gladness and to much profit.



CHAPEL HILL CHRISTIAN CHURCH, CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

We take pleasure in presenting to the readers of the Christian Sun, on paper this week, the Chapel Hill Christian church. We hope, in a few months, to see it in reality on the nice lot on Cameron Avenue. Will not every friend to the cause send us a contribution, large or small. Send either to W. G. Clements at Morrisville, N. C. or E. W. Neville, Chapel Hill, N. C. I believe if every member of the Christian brotherhood could see the real importance of this church building as it is there would be no lack of money with which to push the work to completion in a short while.

Brethren, sisters and friends, I am sure you want to help build a Christian church at the great University of N. C. Who will be the first one to make glad hearts by sending a contribution?

W. G. Clements.
Pastor and financial Agt.

THE CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION WORK.

There is a large field of work to be done through lines of Christian activity. The church has several mediums through which it supports its enterprises. I wish to speak of one of these and this for one purpose. The Christian missionary association is and should be a strong auxiliary to the church. The principle is simple and in reach of churches, Sunday schools, Christian Endeavors and individuals. We need more personal interest in the general enterprises of the church, then each enterprise would receive each its own portion in due season. People are usually successful in such enterprises as they put in for the best. If the members of the church could push the enterprises of the church as they do their personal business, then the needs of the church would be met without any embarrassment whatever. The influence of Christianity is stronger

where all the church enterprises are not in due order. So many people waste so much foolishly that might be given to this enterprise of the church. I heard a man say that he spent enough in a few days in treating to cigars and cold drinks to pay his dues and yet he has not paid his dues in two years. This is the only case while there may be many other cases. We must give an account of our stewardship, and it seems that many think nothing about it "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." We should not neglect our duty to God to the church and to the world. The waste places in our conferences have been neglected too much. As I look over the field I see High Point, a city of great importance; second only to Grand Rapids in the manufacture of furniture. Years ago we had a church here, and let it go to sleep, this should not have been allowed. Just 28 miles from there is Asheboro another town of importance where we once had a church, but a wind storm blew this building down and we have lost much during this time. We are very glad that Bro. P. H. Fleming is now in High Point to begin the work of re-building in each of these places. I am now thinking of Reidsville where once Dr. Barrett organized a church in 1889, and this writer resigned the pastoral charge of Pleasant Grove, Va. under a unanimous call to remain as pastor of that church, but the Reidsville work was of such importance at that time, that I declined this call hoping to build up the Reidsville work, but it fell through. I am glad that we now have this place as a mission and we hope to soon have a church in this growing town. At one time we had a hopeful church organized in South Boston, Va. and in the fall of 1896 I held the revival there for Dr. W. C. Wicker, who was pastor at that time, and because of illness

in his family he could not get there during the meeting. At the close of that meeting I received 11 new members into this church. Dr. Wicker led this work in a hopeful condition as long as he remained pastor, but the year following this church was lost out of Conference. We hope now if Bro. C. E. Newman will locate there and put himself into the work as we believe he will do that we will soon have a self-sustaining church there again. I do not believe in organizing churches and hold the work for a few years and then let it then go down. It seems that we have been interested enough in these places to begin good work but not enough in these places to keep these churches going. We had better not organize a church unless we can keep it going. The Christian missionary can and should aid much in sustaining this important work. Let no member fail to bring his dues to next conference.

S. B. Klapp,
President N. C. and Va. Christian
Missionary Association.
Greensboro, N. C., Sept. 21, 1912.

THE CRITICS OF AN ENTERPRISE

All worthy enterprises have their critics. We suppose it is right that they should. Criticisms are often like the Ara's spear, urging one to greater effort. Sincere and intelligent criticisms when prompted by love and good will should be appreciated. They have their legitimate place. They are helpful and are invariably worth more to the subject than to the critic. There is a critic, however, who is tiresome and objectionable. It is the person who never contributes an hour's service, nor a penny, toward the support of the enterprise upon which he presumes to lavish his cheap comments and objections. The friend who has made a contribution to a public enterprise which has for its object the glory of God in the advancement of His Kingdom among men not only has the right and privilege, but is under moral obligation to do whatever he can, whether by criticism or otherwise, to advance its interest. Silence sometimes is criminal. We have in mind two kinds of critics here. One speaks with a purpose to improve and help forward, while the other talks to discourage and defeat and to bring to pass his gilded prophecy, "I told you so." The first is ever welcomed and appreciated, while the latter is held in contempt, yet is often in evidence.

It is in bad taste, to say the least, for a person who has never made a contribution to a worthy enterprise that has the endorsement of the leaders in the cause he represents to lavish discouraging criticisms

upon it. Such snags have ever stood along the way by which the great enterprises of the church have come to us.

It is to be hoped that such stumbling stones and hindrances are more a matter of ignorance of facts than malicious intent of heart. Let the men and women who have labored and sacrificed do the criticizing. Such criticisms can not fail to be profitable to any church enterprise if prompted by love and interest and guided by intelligence and good judgment.

"If your lips would keep from slips,

Five things observe with care:

Of whom you speak, to whom you speak.

And how, and when and where."

M. W. Butler.

ELON COLLEGE LETTER.

"This is the young man's age" we frequently hear. I use to say that it has always been so in exactly the same sense that it is so today. This is the young man's age in the sense that the young men do the action of our life. But it is not the young man's day in the sense that there is no longer need for old men. "Old men for wisdom and counsel" is as true an adage as the former just quoted. Old men and young men are mutually complementary—where the one is strong, the other is weak—the country that has both is safest. Young men see visions, but old men dream dreams. Dreams are based on experience the psychologists tell us, and experience is the most valuable school I know of. Its tuition is not payable in coin, but in human life, a medium of exchange limited to but one transaction, but the accrued earnings on that transaction will do the work in individual and social progress of much barter in the baser exchange media of our every day commercial intercourse.

If the old man is slow and tottering, it is not necessarily because he is a back-number as we younger men incline to conclude, but because he has a greater burden of experience to bear; he is better educated than we. If it takes him longer to come to the conclusion of a matter of doubtful issue, it is because he is weighing it in the light of a wider and more complete experience, not that he is mentally incapacitated but judiciously capacitated by reason of many related decisions in the adopted years.

"This is the old man's age" as much so as the young man's age. We do not need and chloroform for our fathers in Israel. We shall be in a poor, pitiful plight if we happen upon the time when there is a dearth of our elders to steady the swift-flowing current of our life and prejudice for us in the broad perspective of their extensive experiences the proposals of our active and buoyant youth.

This is not written to discourage young men, nor to encourage old men, but to get each to appreciate the other. Neither is it written to induce young men to become old before their time. "There is a time for all things." One thing I would have young men to remember and that is: it is not necessary for them to begin their life-work too early in order to save the world from ruin. It will be far better for them to wait until they are thoroughly prepared before entrance into active life, for such preparation will reduce the tuition rate for them in the school of experience. It does not matter when a man begins his life-work, provided he is thoroughly and properly prepared. Years spent in preparation are not lost years, for they subtract many years from the toll of time we have to pay for experience in the real world of action and life.

W. A. Harper.

SUFFOLK LETTER.

Upon my return from a committee meeting at Elon College August 14th I met in the Union Station in Raleigh, Mr. Henry May of Lynchburg who was on his way to Pope's Chapel to the burial of his only sister who had died the day before at Wendell, N. C. His sister was Mrs. Julia McGhee widow of the late George McGhee. Mr. May is the brother-in-law of Rev. J. W. Wellons who was pastor of Pope's Chapel for so many years.

Mr. McGhee was born in 1843 and died August 19, 1912, and was sixty nine years of age. Three children survive their mother: Florine who married Mr. F. Blockley and has five children; Dr. Frank McGhee who lives at Wendell; and Eugene. Three brothers also survive her: Henry May, who resides in Lynchburg; John May who lives at Cedar Rock, N. C.; and Benjamin May who lives at Franklinton, N. C.

Mrs. McGhee had been a member at Pope's Chapel from her girlhood—more than fifty years. She had been a widow about twelve years. She was a devoted mother, a devout Christian, a faithful friend.

Rev. W. W. Rose of the Methodist church assisted me in the funeral services and the remains were laid to rest in the church graveyard among the friends and relatives of her childhood. There is a steady gathering of relatives in the cemeteries of earth and there is a gathering of the departed in the heavenly home. Are you preparing for that happy reunion?

The long-hoped for rains have come and farms, wells, and streams are renewing their strength, beauty, and usefulness. Revivals renew the spiritual depletions of the church in like manner and turn barrenness into fruitful activities. More beautiful than the flowing stream is the

real spiritual life of an active church.

Contemplation of the goodness and mercy of the Lord awakens in the soul of devout people gratitude and praise. Every sense of humanity and every faculty of the soul finds ample provision and immediate supply in the world of fact and faith. God has left no potentiality or need of man unprovided for in his benevolent provision in nature and grace. The eye is provided for in worlds of light. Beyond the range of most vivid imagination space is flooded with light perfectly adapted to the organ of vision. A billion of human eyes, gazing at myriad beauty through the medium of light, cannot exhaust this divine provision in the least. God's provisions are inexhaustible, unless it may be in form. All the uses of water do not reduce the supply; when converted into steam to aid the work of man, it soon condenses into water again and through spring and stream runs back into the ocean—God's great filtering plant—and then it climbs the sunbeams and rides on the chariots of the clouds and falls over mountain and plain in gentle showers to make earth bud and blossom once more. His provision of grace is just as abundant as light, water, and air. His blood could cleanse a thousand worlds and then be clean.

W. W. Staley.

ALABAMA APPOINTMENTS FOR REV. L. I. COX.

Rev. L. I. Cox of Elon College, N. C., will visit the Alabama and Georgia and Alabama Conferences next month in the interest of The Christian Sun. We are delighted that Bro. Cox is coming and wish he could visit every church in the Conferences but for the lack of time he will reach only a few points, as follows: Alabama Conference, Beulah, Oct. 22-24. Wadley, Thursday, Oct. 24th. 7:30 P. M. Dingler's Friday, Oct. 25th. 7:00 P. M. New Harmony, Friday, Oct. 25th 7:00 P. M.

Rockstand, Saturday, Oct. 26th, 11:00 A. M.

Antioch, Saturday Oct. 26th 7:00 P. M. New Hope, Sunday Oct. 27th, 11:00 P. M. Pleasant Grove, Sunday, Oct. 27th. 7:00 P. M.

Appointments will be made for Bro. Cox in the Ga. and Ala. Conference also, and will appear in next week's Sun.

G. O. Lankford.

—The University of North Carolina expelled four men and suspended twelve others a year for engaging in hazing, some of these being offenders for last year. These were not connected with the recent Rand tragedy, but with other cases. Others are to be dealt with yet it is reported.

CONFERENCE CALENDAR 1912

Conferences of the Southern Convention meet this year at the following times and places, with exception of the Virginia Valley Central which was held at Linville Va. 3rd week in August:

Alabama at Beulah, Wadley, Ala. Tuesday October 22nd, Rev. G. D. Hunt, President, Rev. E. M. Carter, Secretary, Chipley, Ga.

Georgia and Alabama at Providence Chapel. Tuesday Oct. 29, Rev. L. E. Smith, President, Edwin E. Hill, Secretary, Phoenix, Alabama.

Eastern Virginia at Damascus, Gates Co N. C. Tuesday October 29, Rev. N. G. Newman, President, Rev. I. W. Johnson, Secretary, Suffolk, Va.

Eastern N. C. at Pleasant Union, Harnett Co. Thursday Nov. 7 at 10 a. m., Rev. Herbert Scholz President, Rev. W. C. Wicker, Secretary, Elon College, N. C.

Western N. C. at Pleasant Grove, Randolph Co. Tuesday Nov. 12 at 10:30 a. m., Rev. L. I. Cox, President, Rev. J. W. Patton, Secretary, Elon College, N. C.

N. C. and Va. at Greensboro, N. C. Tuesday November 19 at 2 p. m., Rev. J. W. Holt, President, Prof. W. P. Lawrence, Secretary, Elon College, N. C.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

—Rev. Henry Spencer Booth greets Sun readers with a delightful Norfolk Letter this week. That is well. We welcome him with his fine and fluent pen to our columns.

—296 students matriculated at Elon College this term so far. Will the other four please come, or be sent, from some good where and round out the even 300. Here is hoping.

—At any rate it was worth while to say it to get that good letter in another column, from Dr. Denison. We have decided he may say "Southland" again, just one more little time, if he will keep up Memorial Temple talk in The Sun.

—Finally brethren, the Publishing House is in building, and we are to have a property beautifully situated, conveniently located, and of substantial and growing value. Many duties have kept us from soliciting any subscriptions to stock the past two weeks.

—Disquieting news indeed is that which says that more than a million soldiers are on the march mobilizing for impending war between Bulgaria, Servia, Montenegro and Greece on the one side against Turkey on the other. It is said the mobilization of troops will cost ten million dollars even if actual war does not begin.

—The people of Durham are planning for a great Laymen's Missionary Convention October 31—November 1. Among the

noted speakers are J. Campbell White general Secretary of the Movement, and W. E. Daughtry Educational Secretary. This will no doubt be a conference of great inspiration, and they will be counted fortunate indeed who can attend.

—Youngsville church is to unite with Popes, Good Hope and possibly Oak Level churches, in forming a pastorate and get a pastor to locate at Youngsville, N. C. That is sane, sound, safe and sensible. May such conduct among the churches multiply, replenish and fill the earth. For well do all of us know that such is needed, and would prove of untold impetus and inspiration to our work.

—By the grouping of the churches about Youngsville, with which he is delighted, Rev. W. S. Long D. D, Chapel Hill, is open for engagement three Sundays in the month with churches needing his services. Dr. Long is not only one of our ablest men and most eloquent and forceful pulpit speakers, but is a man of experience and efficiency. We trust he will be given, as he deserves, and as churches need, full work.

—Building the Publishing House has been delayed some on account of delay in getting material, but we are glad to say that bricks have arrived, work has begun and the contract calls for the completion of the brick work by November 1 and of the entire building by December 1. We are to have a beautiful two story red brick building with a grey pressed brick front. The house is to be 40 by 65 feet with machinery and office on first floor and twelve rooms with ample hall on second floor.

—Our good friend Caleb D. West of Newport News, Va., has been, for the first time in his life, on quite an extended trip, with his wife and the only child, through the Valley of Virginia, that joyous Shenandoah Valley, where the sun shine is just a little more balmy, and the breezes are a little more mellow, and the grass is just a little greener and the scenery a little more exhilarating than elsewhere in this world and of course C. D. and his amiable wife "were perfectly astounded at such a glorious country right here close by." Which reminds us to say that there is a beautiful and bountiful world all around about us, if we will only look around a bit to behold and see. But why in the world should any person live in Newport News till he is 40 years old before going to see the Valley of Virginia?

—The Suffolk correspondent of the Virginian Pilot September 30 gives this item of interest to many Sun readers. At an entertainment given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Williams near Suffolk

Saturday September 28 the approaching marriage of her daughter Miss Jennie Lee Williams to Mr. Harry L. Cross was announced.

The bride-elect was showered with good wishes, to which she responded in a graceful little speech.

Miss Williams is the pretty and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Williams of the county, and has many friends who will be interested in this announcement.

She is a graduate of Elon College of the class of 1909, and has specialized in painting and drawing. She has taught at Mars Hill College.

Mr. Cross has been a resident of Suffolk for the past seven years, being a native of Sunbury, N. C.

NORFOLK LETTER.

Norfolk. A city teeming with a cosmopolitan population. Set not upon a hill, but at the gateway to the Ocean formed by one of the finest harbors in the world. Surrounded by some of the finest trucking land upon the Western Continent. Destined to become, in the not far distant future, one of the most important and populous commercial centres upon the Atlantic seaboard. Truly, a pleasant and a responsible place to be, and one of the most inviting fields for Christian effort and well directed activity to be found.

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I am now in my fourth month with the people of the Third Christian church, at this place. I risk nothing in saying that I have never seen a better opening for a strong, stalwart church than here. Our official Board is composed of a body of representative men, as earnest, loyal and intelligent as could be found anywhere. The spirit of the entire congregation is inspiring and energizing. Attendance upon both the Sunday-school and preaching services is growing steadily. For further details of our particular work, more anon.

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I hear fine reports of the work of Dr. Denison, of the Memorial Temple. Under his guidance and administration the outlook for the success of the work there is very bright. The Doctor is an organizer and a systematizer and will bring things to pass.

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Over in our sister city, Portsmouth, Brother Harrell is forging ahead with dauntless persistence and enthusiasm. He has a fine church building, creditable to any people. So far, I have met but few of his people, but can safely predict that if they have caught the spirit of their pastor as they surely could not help doing, they are workers.

Down at Lambert's Point Brother Garman is waging valiant and victorious warfare for the right in a sane, safe, sensible fashion which cannot do otherwise than result in abiding good. His Sunday-school, for the third time captured this quarter the banner of the Tidewater Association given to the school showing the highest average of general efficiency. This means that they will now retain it permanently. His people are to be congratulated upon the possession of such a fine-spirited, tireless-working pastor.

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Genial, kindly Brother Keys of the South Norfolk church I have met, but have not had the pleasure of visiting his work and knowing his people. I hope to have this privilege some time. The first church in Berkley is a neat, commodious structure in which the Tidewater Sunday-school Association met Sunday. How the cause progresses there I do not know. My understanding is that a pastor has been called, and I should say, from the standpoint of a visitor, that he will have a most pleasant field in which to labor.

Altogether, the people of the Christian churches in and around Norfolk should feel vastly encouraged, judging from the general reports coming from the various charges. As a body of men, the ministers of the Christian congregation whom I have met, are actuated by a spirit as fine and splendid as that of any set of men I have ever seen together. Not a word of pessimism, not a note of discouragement do I hear. They all seem to be in love with their work and satisfied therewith. Such an attitude can only result in victory anywhere.

I will close with this brief survey of our field, and, if the editorial blue-pencil spares this somewhat fragmentary sketch I shall be encouraged to "try again."

Henry Spencer Booth.

Memorial Temple Talk.

Dear Brother Atkinson:

I have not written very much for the Sun during these few weeks of my stay in this part of the vineyard for my thoughts have been that it is better to say what one has accomplished in his field than to say what one is going to do. I have sometimes seen "Field items" that prophesied large things but accomplishments were not so large. Coming as I did in the summer season we could scarcely expect in a city church to much more than hold our own and get in good readiness for the new year. Our church year closes Sept. 30 and we are closing up the work with our Sunday school rally to-morrow. The annual business meet-

ing of the church will be held Oct. 2 when conference delegates will be chosen, church officers elected, annual reports of the work given, and all things closed up for the conference some thirty days before conference convenes. The new year will find the church using a few new plans; the duplex envelope system, one side for current expenses, and the other side for conference "Benevolences" the memorial floral offerings each Sunday; the "Calendar" plan in the ladies Aid Society; a thoroughly graded Sunday school using the International Graded Sunday lessons in the Beginner's, Primary, and Junior departments. The church in its several departments will make its "quarters" correspond with the calendar quarters. The work is opening very pleasantly. So far I have seen nothing but a united spirit with a determination to live and do for the Master a work worth while. They surely are giving their heartiest cooperation and on all sides are expressions of hopeful tone. Seven "teams" of twos are making the every member canvass this week for church expenses for the new year. They are enjoying the work much and they are doing very much good by their personal visits, careful explanations of the budget, explaining misunderstandings, and enlisting co-operation.

I see that you have laid at my door a "serious" charge in a recent issue of the Sun. I am not much of a writer for church papers, not so much so as I should be; but, I would like to have a proof copy of the mailing list of the Sun for my congregation so that I might try to get some more subscribers for it. I want all my families to take the Sun, Herald of Gospel Liberty and Christian Missionary if possible. I am not aware that I have used the word "Southland" in any other sense than geographically. I do not use it with reference to our church even though I have heard several brethren use the expression "Christian Church, South," since I have lived in Virginia. There is no man among us more than the writer that believes that no line should divide our brotherhood. We are one people. We are too small to divide. We need to work together, and plan together. All auxiliary bodies should work in the heartiest co-operation with the American Christian convention and nothing should tend even to separate. You are right, Brother Atkinson, when you say that religiously we have no southland, northland, eastland, westland. I believe that one of our great needs is an exchange of pastors between all geographical sections of our brotherhood. I was sorry on that account when Dr. Flenning was compelled

to return to the warmer climate. An exchange of our strong men at our conference session would be very profitable. I have often said that I think all our work should be subordinate to the American Christian convention. I believe that the Christian Publishing Association should be a department of the A. C. C. the Mission, Sunday school, Educational Christian Endeavor, and not coordinating with it. I wish more of our people would visit our denomination headquarters and see our publishing offices, mission rooms, editorial sanctuaries.

Now, Mr. Editor, I have written a long letter, I am pardoned I presume, but don't you dare come to Norfolk again, to our suburb, Suffolk, without coming around the Memorial Christian Temple.

Warren H. Denison.

Sept. 28, 1902.

WORLD WIDE PRAYER FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Sunday next the pastors of the various churches in Norfolk, in unison with ministers through the United States, will offer special invocations for the children of the public schools who will in the near future enter upon another school term. Prayers of a similar character will be made in the Sunday schools of Norfolk, as well as in the Sunday schools throughout America.

This simultaneous prayer has been organized by the National Reform Association which will be poured forth from millions of lips at the same time, it being not only national but worldwide. The ministers are expected to lead their congregations while the superintendents of the Sunday schools are to lead the schools in the prayer.

This prayer, it is said, will be the first simultaneous prayer of this character ever offered and will therefore be a notable event.—*Virginian-Pilot*.

—We are in receipt of Vol. I No 1 of 16 page publication of Boston, Mass., entitled "Church and State." This seems to be a readable paper and is devoted to the entire separation of Church and State. "It will oppose all appropriations of public property for sectarian institutions and purposes. It claims that the Catholic church is endeavoring to get control of the public treasury in such way as to appropriate to its schools and so will deal with the Catholic church from a political standpoint."

The maker of the tree made me.

How close we are of kin!
Thou hadst no need of Calvary,

But I knew sin. A. A. McCaskill.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor.

This department under the direction of Young People's General Convention. Frequent news items from Sunday schools, organized classes, and C. E. societies are desired. If you are interested in either or about to organize, address the department's editor,

CHARLES A. HINES, Editor and Cor. Sec.,

Greensboro, N. C.

THE INTERMITTENT MEMBER.

By F. Yeigh.

Every class has its own experience with the intermittent member. His irregular attendance not only contributes to his lack of interest but affects the general average and spirit of the class itself.

One class tried to solve the problem by sending the following personal letter to a number of "intermittents:"

My Dear Friend:

We have not had the pleasure of seeing you at our Bible class this fall. While it is prosperous to a degree, with a larger inflow of new members than ever before, yet we miss the old members and always feel a regret when they are absent or drop out. One of the basic ideas of the modern Bible class, is that Bible study should continue to attract and hold men from year to year, rather for brief and intermittent periods; thereby giving strength to the organization because of the permanency of the membership.

If at all possible, can you not attend again, and thus help along the success of the class. Yours sincerely.

The results were sufficiently satisfactory to justify the plan. One long absent member responded by bringing two friends with him; others took a fresh interest, while some explained the reason for non-attendance.

"BRING ANOTHER MAN."

It is said of the Catholic organization known as the "Paulist Fathers" that no Catholic is allowed to come to certain lectures unless he brings a Protestant man with him. It is claimed that a very prominent judge was not permitted to enter the door when he came to one of the lectures without bringing a non-Catholic man with him. The zealous spirit of those "Paulist Fathers" in seeking to increase their number is worthy of emulation by some of our adult Bible classes. "Bring another man" would not be a bad motto for an adult Bible class to adopt. Such a motto lived up to would create a spirit of aggressiveness that could not but add to the numbers and influence of the class. The highways and the byways of the world are full of men who could be brought into the Bible class, and finally into the church, if only other men already members of the church, if only

other men already members would do the actual personal work involved in asking these men to go with them to the class or to the church. Bring another man, and bring him next Sunday.—A. B. C. Teacher.

"SEND ME."

A class of women in an eastern city took the significant words "Send Me" for a motto and had them put on the class pin. Then they lived right up to that motto in every way possible. One member who had been asked by mail to perform a certain service for the class wrote and said that she did not think she could do it. In the very next mail came a second letter in which this member wrote: "I quite forgot about our class motto, 'Send Me,' when I decided to do what you asked me to do in your letter. I was putting on my class pin just after I had written my first note, and it came to me all of a sudden that I had not been true to that motto in refusing to do something I could do. I will attend to the matter right away."

"Send me" is a good motto for any Bible class, and it is because so many classes are living up to the spirit of this motto that the whole A. B. C. Movement is so successful.

ENDEAVORGRAMS.

By John R. Clements.

The Quiet Hour in its keeping may be but ten minutes long, but in its influence it is day-wide.

Clipping readers are leaners and not "growers." The spiritual life of the clipping-reader is sure to be a lean one.

Some leaders really close a meeting by the unskilled way in which they open it.

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Have a "favorite-hymn" meeting. Teach your Endeavorers the hymns so that they can have a song service without a hymnbook.

Begin your prayer meeting on time even though you have no one present but the leader and the janitor.

The ideal Christian Endeavor society will ever and anon have a leaderless prayer meeting for the sake of making each member feel a sense of responsibility.

NOTICE ON C. E. TOPIC, OCT. 13

Subject—"You Can Do Better."

2-Pet. 3:8-18.

.. By Rev. R. P. Anderson. . . .

Some of us grow discouraged when our most strenuous efforts fail, and we say, "I cannot do more than I have done." We must encourage our soul. We can do better. We need not set a limit to achievement, for God has set none. Whatever He means us to do, we can do and do will.

We may have to try hard like a bird driving into the teeth of a gale. But we can do better in the home, the place of all places where the last lovely side of human nature is liable to be manifested, and where there is usually plenty of room for improvement. We can be more faithful in our duties, more tender to our friends, more ready to do the little things that help. In the church, in the Christian Endeavor society, in the workshop and the office, and in our social relations there is much to be desired, and much progress is possible. What we are and what we do are not enough. If we stop our efforts in any sphere because we think that we are good enough, we are sure to grow mouldy and die of rot.

We can do better because the power that animates us is divine and limitless. We must not allow ourselves to sit down and rest. On the monument of an Alpine guide the inscription reads, "He died climbing." Let us keep our eyes on the heights beyond. We have never yet done our very best, although we may often have done the best we were capable of at a given moment. Our next effort, or the next again, may lead us to wonderful results. We can do better because Christ is in us, and it is He who is working through us.

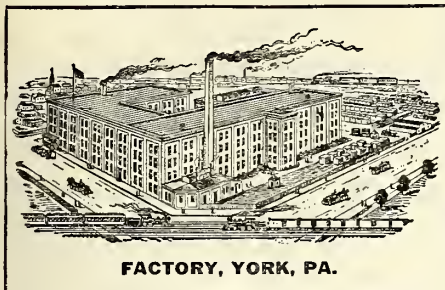
THOUGHTS ON THE TOPIC.

Does failure teach us any lesson? It is that we may always make new trials of our powers. Life should be no dreary round, but an ascending spiral. Never give to another the idea that his failure is absolute and without remedy. Not so taught our Lord, and we lack much of His spirit if we do not seek for some of His patience with mistakes and failures.

It is consciousness of the new heaven and the new earth, the immortality in man, that makes the Christian strive for betterment and be zealous in the work of the Lord. It is this that makes men dissatisfied and spurs them on to greater heights. Sometimes they forget and become content with their present existence and achievements. Only in immortality is perfection.

I know of no more encouraging thing than the unquestionable ability of a man to elevate his life by a conscious endeavor.

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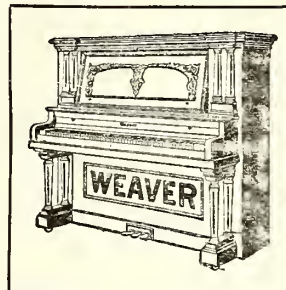


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or. It is something to be able to paint a particular picture, or to carve a statue, and to make a few objects beautiful; but it is far more glorious to carve and paint the very atmosphere and medium through which we look, which morally we can do.—Thoreau.

No one learns music in one lesson. No one cannot become an artist in a day. No one can get the full beauty of Christ into his life in one brief year. We have it here in St. Paul's words: "Transformed into the same image from glory to glory," that is, line by line, little by little."—J. R. Miller, D. D.

Let there be no thought of what you can do for God, but all thought of what God can do through you. Nothing will make you so intense and ceaseless in your activity as this.—F. B. Meyer.

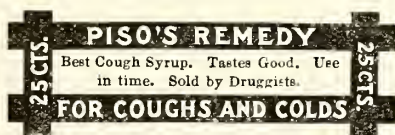
What's come to perfection perishes; things learned on earth we shall practise in heaven. Works done least rapidly are most cherished.

If you made a two-dollar mistake yesterday, do not spend five dollars' worth of time and strength in bemoaning it today. The thing is done, it has passed beyond your reach; go on. There is no more costly and unsuccessful way of putting "new clothes into old garments" than by wasting the fresh hours of the present in regret for the rest of the past.—J. R. Miller.

I must do something to keep my thoughts fresh and growing. I dread nothing so much as falling into a rut and feel-

ing myself becoming a fossil.—James A. Garfield.

Every Christian can do better. Many won't. Southey once wrote a friend thus: "I would give you advice if it could be used; but there is no curing those who choose to be diseased. A good man and a wise man may at times be angry with the world, at times grieved for it; but be sure no man was discontented with the world if he did his duty in it. If a man of education, who has health, eyes, hands, the leisure, lacks an object, it is only because God Almighty has bestowed all those belongings upon a man who does not deserve them."



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**REASONS WHY EVERY WOMAN
SHOULD BE A MEMBER OF THE
MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**
(Adapted.)

Because her education demands it; because the spirit of the time requires it; and because our Lord has asked it of all his children.

The love of Christ should constrain all women, young and old, to band themselves together for the extension of his kingdom.

"She that is not for me" and my commission "is against me. She that gathereth not with me"—by influence on membership in the Missionary Society—"scattereth abroad."

As enlisted soldiers under a banner of Jesus Christ, our orders are "Go, tell." "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." The missionary Society furnishes the most practical means of obeying his command.

Because I will give her a larger vision of spiritual life and fit her for more and better service for the Master.

"Ye are not your own, for ye are bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

Because in studying the sad condition of the women and girl in heathen lands they soon contrast them with their own lives and become more grateful to the Heavenly Father, more unselfish, more determined to work and pray, that all may share the blessings.

That she may develop a strong, Christ-like character and find expression for the

deep gratitude that prompts every child of God to reach out and help those who have no Saviour—no help. "Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

"Christ cannot be ministered unto, but to minister;" therefore to be Christlike we must serve.

Because it is one of the very best ways by which she may show her love and loyalty to Jesus, her Redeemer.

He came to seek and to save the lost. He left us an example to follow in his steps; therefore our supreme duty is to go and teach. In this act of obedience there comes into the life of every true missionary woman and every circle girl an untold joy, a sweetness and richness of service which can be known in no other way.

Christ says: "As the Father hath sent me into the world, even so send I you into the world. Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Christians are followers of Christ. We cannot be Christians if we refuse to follow him in the work of world-redemption.

Our missionaries on the fields are simply doing our work for us. How could we as Christian women or girls be so indifferent to our own duty as not to be active members of a woman's missionary society or circle?

To become informed of the world-wide missions is a debt we owe the early missionaries who have saved us from the horrors of pagan lands. Only by knowing are we constrained to do.

By belonging to a missionary society a Christian woman can go by proxy "into all the world," while a missionary can go into only one part of it.

Because it is an honor to woman to have Christ's confidence, to be considered worthy and capable of carrying out this divine commission, "Go, tell." She never knows how to love until she loves the people who know not Christ.

It should be the desire of every Christian woman and girl to become a member of a missionary society in order to hasten the time when "the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

Gratitude for the redemption through Christ from all that heathen women must endure should make every Christian woman and girl glad to have such an opportunity to prove her love to him by keeping his command: "Go ye into all

the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."—The Voice.

Incidents of Mission. Life. 1. Mr. Logan, a missionary in Japan, tells of a prisoner who was converted while serving out his sentence by the chance reading of a Bible which came into his hands. Prisoners whose behavior is markedly good are allowed a small pittance, something less than a cent a day, which they are accustomed to accumulate against the day of their discharge. Now this converted criminal had in the long course of his confinement saved some thirteen yen in this way and all this money he dispatched to the man into whose house he had broken, and whom he had seriously injured as a peace offering and token of repentance. With it he sent a letter of apology.

The injured man was so impressed by this action that he undertook a long journey to the prison and there the two met, face to face, and made peace in Jesus Christ praying together. When the visitor departed he left a neatly bound Bible as a token of his good will.

2 A Basuto chief listened to mission preaching for the first time and said: "Well your teaching about God seems good, but it is an egg. I will wait and see what comes out of it." So he observed the missionary for some time until, finally, he came saying that he had seen in his life the result of the doctrine and was convinced. Doctor Luering of the Methodist mission went from Singapore among the head-hunting Dayaks of Borneo. When he was ready to return the chieftan sent asking for a permanently settled missionary. Luering replied, "I do not believe you want a teacher, otherwise you would have followed my teaching." Whereat the answer came straight as a bullet: "Sir, we have heard your doctrine, and, being shrewd people, have waited to see if your life agreed with it. We found that it does and therefore wish to be Christians. Now that you have made our mouth to water you will not refuse us food."—Record of Christian Work.

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DIED.**Lee.**

John Pipkin Lee departed this life at the home of his nephew, Albert T. Lee near Franklin, Va., August 1st, 1912, aged 69 years. In the absence of the writer the funeral services were conducted by Rev. N. G. Newman at Holy Neck and the remains placed in the family plot by the side of his father and mother. The deceased was the youngest son of John R. Lee and wife and brother to the late Capt. P. H. and E. E. Lee of Nansemond Co. Va. He never married, but in his declining days was kindly cared for in the home of his nephew, A. T. Lee. A few days before his death he expressed himself to the writer as trusting in the Lord and hoping for rest on the other side.

C. H. Rowland.

Bradshaw.

Ermie C. Bradshaw was born May 9th, 1895 and died August 20, 1912 aged 17 years three months and 11 days.

He made a profession of religion several years ago but had never united with any church. We are told he expressed his willingness to die and his hope of rest.

He leaves a father, mother and three brothers who are made sad by his death. Funeral services at the grave by the writer and the remains placed in the family cemetery near Vicksburg Va. May the Lord comfort the bereaved. R. H. Peel.

Bailey.

Jas. A. Bailey, Disputanta, Va., after prolonged illness died Aug. 14th 1912. The funeral was conducted the following day by the writer at the residence and the interment was made in the family cemetery.

Brother Baily was a member of the Baptist church at Newville for five years previous to his death. He suffered long but bore his afflictions with Christian fortitude and died happy in the Lord. Frequently during his illness he expressed his satisfaction in Jesus and ready to go.

He leaves to mourn their loss, a devoted wife and seven children, two brothers and one sister and a host of friends.

May the Lord bless and comfort the bereaved. H. E. Rountree.
Waverly, Va.

Weatherspoon.

C. B. C. Sunday School Class, Elon College, at the regular meeting Sunday Sept. 1st. 1912 drafted the following resolutions relative to the life and death of Capt. R. T. Weatherspoon.

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God

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to remove from our Class Capt. R. T. Weatherspoon, therefore be it resolved:

1st. That we bow in humble submission to the infinite goodness and mercy of Almighty God, believing that He doeth all things well.

2nd. That the S. S. Class has lost a faithful and worthy member, an unceasing and devoted friend, His family a kind and affectionate husband and father.

3rd. That we will strive to imitate by pleasant and religious conversation at class, at church, and at home his example of piety and integrity set before his children, his strict and faithful performance of duty, his continued effort to build up the Church of God, and advance His kingdom in this world.

4th. That we extend to his bereaved family our tenderest sympathies and commend them to our heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, a copy spread on the minutes, and a copy sent to The Christian Sun for publication.

J. C. McAdams,

W. T. Noah,

Annie Watson, Com.

Wright.

Whereas it has pleased Divine Providence to remove from our midst one of our beloved sisters, Mrs. Lou Wright, who departed this life August 29th 1912, be it resolved:

First—That while we deeply feel the loss sustained in her death we bow in humble submission to the will of God.

Second—That we extend to the family our sincere sympathy, and trust that our Heavenly Father may comfort them in their affliction.

Third—That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy entered on the records of the church, and a copy sent to The Christian Sun for publication.

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May they ever be faithful and their wedded life one of usefulness and honor.

N. G. Newman.

Truitt-Sharp.

At new Lebanon Christian church, September 1st a pretty wedding was solemnized when Mr. Reuben A. Truitt led to the altar Miss C. Annie Sharpe. The attendants who preceded the bridal couple to the altar were: Mr. John Truitt and Miss Clara Sharpe, Mr. Fletcher Lester and Miss Lucy Moore, Mr. Charlie Griffin and Miss Laura Sharpe, Mr. Bryan Truitt and Miss Florence Sharpe, Mr. Willie Suits and Miss Cora Lester, and Mr. Garrett and Miss Della Witty. Miss Nannie Humphrey played the wedding march, and Esquire Walter Thomas officiated. A beautiful dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Settle Sharpe, from which place a host of friends and relatives accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Truitt to Mr. Truitt's parents home where a sumptuous supper was served. On Monday (Sept. 2) the young couple boarded the train for Elon College. Mr. Truitt enters school there a Junior, and Mrs. Truitt enters as optional student. J.

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Elon College, N. C.,
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My Dear Children:

Cold weather is coming and giving you renewed interest in our work, I see. How nice to see a well filled Corner again! It makes us feel that our bills are going to be paid and comfort for the cold winter weather is at hand. All who are behind make up as quickly as you can and keep the Corner full.

We have had two nice trips with the Singing Class since last we wrote. One to Shallow Ford, N. C. where we had a good time and the children enjoyed it. On account of a scattered membership the proceeds from the concert were small as you see from the report.

Tuesday September 24th we (25 in party) boarded the noon train for Greensboro, where we were met by Mr. Clymer who after conducting us to the church proceeded to tell of the good times that

were in store for us that afternoon. Cold drinks, and extended street car ride, and moving pictures pleased the children and caused them to feel as tho' they'd like to remain a while longer in this city where they were having such a good time. After a happy time and supper in the homes of the different members of the church, we met at the church for our Concert. The children did their best and the audience seemed pleased. We will tell you more of this in next week's issue. Thursday night we were at Revolution Public school building and a large audience greeted us and again our children did their best and the friends were pleased. Next week we will report the amount of money received on this trip. The children thoroughly enjoyed it all and came home at 1:30 that night sleepy but happy.

Cordially,
 Uncle Jim.

Raleigh, N. C.,
 Sept. 29, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

We have neglected writing for some time, but we haven't forgotten you and the old cousins, who are so faithful in writing almost every month.

We were sorry to see the corner vacant, and also to see only three or four letters from the cousins, as it has been the case several times this year.

Enclosed please find (\$1.00) one dollar for sister and me.

Your nieces,
 Bettie Franks,
 Noma Franks,

It seems good to hear from you girls again. We'd love dearly to have the whole family as of old.

Macon, N. C.,
 Sept. 17, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

Enclosed you will find one dollar and a quarter (\$1.25), our dues for the past five months. We were late in sending our last dues and one letter never appeared in the "Sun". Hope this will not find its way to the waste basket.

We are sorry to give you up Uncle Jim, but hope we will like Mr. Carter all right.

We are in school again, and are glad to be down to regular work, for it makes us know how to appreciate the playtime.

With love for all,

Helen W. Scholz,
 Herbert Scholz, Jr.,
 Elizabeth Scholz,
 Jessie Lee Scholz.

Am sorry you did not see your letter children. Your last money is reported in July 3rd Sun. They will never reach the waste basket if we can help it.

Semora, N. C.,
 Sept. 18, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I am not as early this time as before. But guess I am not too late for this month.

I am still fond of chicken. I would be glad to have you to enjoy it with me some times, and I think Papa would also enjoy it with us.

Enclosed one dime.

Love to all
 Your nephew,
 Walter Marion Scott.

Be sure to save me a gizzard Walter when I come to see you.

Norfolk, Va.
 Sept. 20, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

Here comes the whole Brickhouse family and we hope you will forgive Thomas for not writing before. We want to pay dues from January 1st to October 1st, and will try to write regularly after this.

We are expecting to go in the country next week for a little visit and how we little boys will enjoy ourselves.

With love and best wishes.

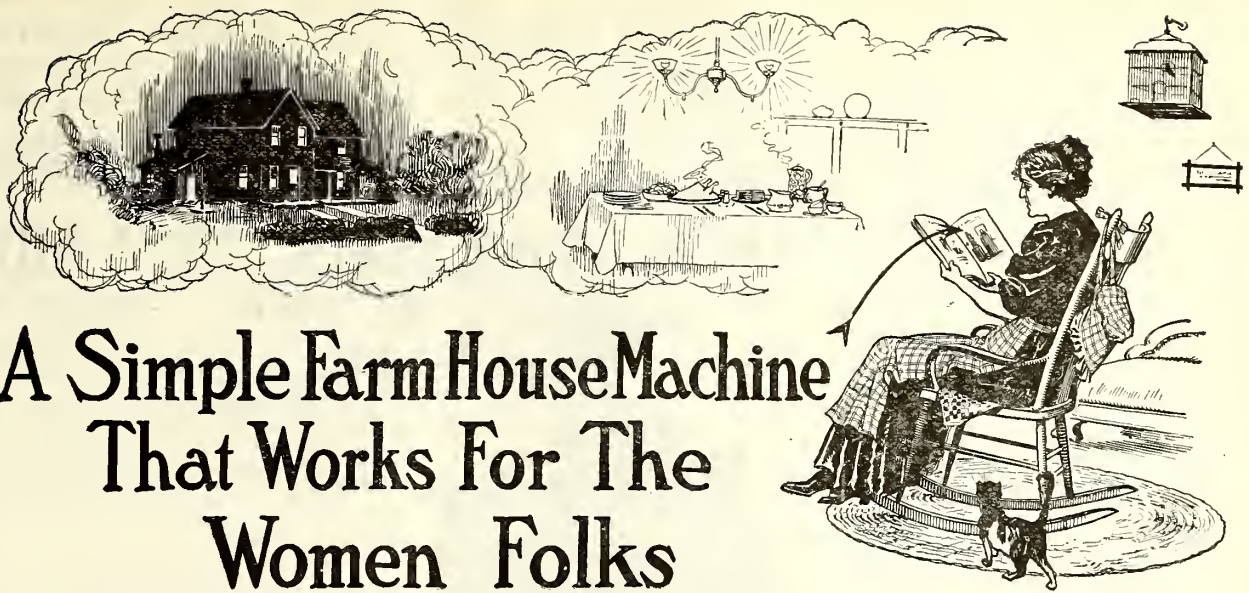
Thomas Brickhouse, Jr.
 Estrell Brickhouse,
 Joseph Brickhouse.

Thank you Thomas, for bringing the whole family this time. We welcome the little brothers most gladly.

Roxboro, N. C.,
 August 16, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I am a bird; you ought to see me. Mother says I'm the cutest kid in the country. I don't have the hiccoughs like brother used to when I laugh. I am active and attractive. They can't keep me anywhere except in Wm. Staley's iron crib and his little chair. Brother left the cradle in Roxboro, last summer, and I had never been in it until I came here. The first time they put me in it, I grasped the sides and raised myself to a sitting posture. For a week or more I was up on my knees in there and now I stand up in the cradle. You see I can tumble out of that if I am not watched. Neither is it safe to leave me in the perambulator when I am awake, because I crawl from under the strap and sit on it or stand up. I have been crawling flat on my "milk bucket," as brother says since July 13th. Mother doesn't know whether I am crowding my brain or my milk bucket. I try to digest everything from a grit to the Christian Sun, corn shuck dolls and "News an Serber" (News and Observer), as Bro. says, included. Guess I will quote my brother quite often. It keeps mother busy taking things out of my mouth.



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And I have been to Pleasant Grove and Aunt Minnie's, Mr. E. T. Pierce's and Mr. Sam Farmer's. We heard Uncle William preach and saw Uncle Wellons. I was sick all night before we started to Houston and had high fever, so was not well home coming day at Pleasant Grove and misbehaved in church. I've broken my re-

cord. Brother and I broke them at Pleasant Grove. Mama told Dr. Atkinson she was very sorry and he said she ought not to wait till we were sick to take us there. Lissa and a colored girl named Zena spoiled me walking me and so I wanted to be walked in church.

Much love,

Florence Harvey Cheatham.

Well, little Florence, we are glad indeed to hear that you are growing and learning to talk.

We thank you for your money to treat

the little ones and help them enjoy your birthday of the 16th tho not being present at your party.

DIED.

Near Union Ridge, N. C. September 22nd, 1912, in the eighty-fifth year of her age Miss Nancy King, one of the oldest members of Union Christian church. Funeral services and interment conducted by her pastor. One sister survives the deceased with a number of relatives and friends who are bereaved by her death.

J. W. Holt,

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Poplar Branch.

I had the pleasure of assisting Bro. Earp in meeting and will say Bro. Earp is doing good work at this place, also at Grace's Chapel. I baptized nine, sprinkled six and immersed three. We wish Bro. Earp success. May the Lord bless him in his work.

H. T. Wolfe

Hayes' Chapel.

We have just closed a good revival at this church, the meeting continued a week. Rev. C. Rowland of Texas did the preaching with great power and demonstration of the Spirit. Bro. J. H. Moring led the singing in his usual happy mode. He is now in the field as a teacher of vocal church music. Any one in need of a teacher of this kind will do well to write him at Morrisville, N. C.

There were twelve converts and six accessions to the church. Hayes' Chapel is on the up grade. To God be all the praise.

W. G. Clements.

Morrisville.

We have had a glorious revival at this place. The Lord was with us in great power. The one beautiful feature was that all were with one accord, bringing many precious souls to Jesus. The thought came to me that this meeting was only a foretaste of the glorious meeting we will all enjoy together around God's throne in heaven.

Bro. Moring was a power in leading the grand old gospel hymns.

May the Lord bless Morrisville. They expect to bring a full report this fall to Conference.

Twenty-four professed Christ and nine united with the church. With prospects of more uniting with the church.

H. F. Wolfe.

Waverly, Va.

I had a good day last Sunday. All days are more or less good to me, but, after the day's work was done, I fell asleep at night with a contented and happy mind that something had been accomplished for the Lord.

As usual, I was with the Sunday school at this place in the morning. The Sunday school hour was followed by a baptismal service, which consisted of songs by the choir, reading of scriptures, prayers, and addresses, followed by a solo, "Seal Us Oh Holy Spirit," and the baptism of the candidates. The service was said to be the most impressive ever witnessed here. The candidates were: Bros. Fred. and Geo. Bullock, of Spring

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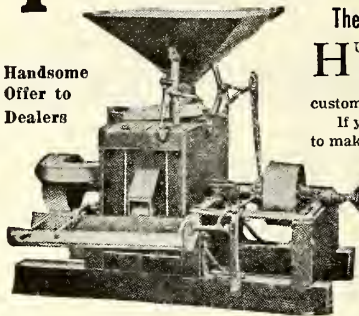
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Hill; Sister Olive Tatum, a young convert of Centerville and Brother Benj. Sale, of Centerville; and Miss Deett Harris, of Waverly.

In the afternoon I filled my appointment at Spring Hill. There we received one member into the church, Mrs. J. T. White, transferring from the M. E. Church at Carsley. In the evening I was again at Waverly and had the pleasure of preaching to the first filled house in eight months. Weather conditions have been such during that time as to make it inconvenient for people to attend church. Conditions were ideal last Sunday and the people were ready to go. At this service I received two members into the church, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. White, transferring from Memorial Temple Norfolk.

Our annual revival begins next Sunday evening. It is to be a union revival with the Methodist church. Rev. I. W. Johnson, of Suffolk, representing the Christian church, and Rev. J. T. Whitley, of Williamsburg, representing the Methodist church, will be with us to do the preaching.

I am very glad we can hold the meeting in this way. The greatest meetings I ever attended were union meetings and some of them were here. I am looking forward to great results in this. It will be continued about two weeks.

I am now nearing the close of my labors with this people. In August I accepted a call to the 1st church of Greensboro. My plans are to take charge there the first of November. Already I have begun to cut the ties here and am finding it hard. When I shall have cut the last one, I know now how hard it will be. For the nine years past, which is my entire experience in the ministry, I have been most happy, and many splendid associations have made it very charming for

me. Every one has been kind and all so ap, reciative I know not how to turn away. But there is a final parting to all. Equally so hath God ordained separations of friendly associations and laborers here. It was God who set my feet here in 1903 and I feel equally confident that He is taking me up and planting me in His service elsewhere; and "my will is to do the will of him that sent me."

In leaving I feel that the people to whom I am so devoted will be well shepherded. Rev. J. L. Foster, Supt. of the Orphanage, a man of mature years and experience, has accepted a call to succeed me. I am confident the church's every cause will be cared for well by him, and in many if not most ways better than I can do. I congratulate the church in its choice and him in his acceptance. The work is in good shape as far as I can judge and it should not be taxing physically nor mentally to carry it on to greater success. I regard the field as among the choicest ones, not excepting the cities. For many reasons I prefer it to many I am acquainted with, for others, duty claims me elsewhere, and I yield to the call. May my successor enjoy the fat of the land as I have; may he have the confidence and affections of the people such as so many have bestowed upon me; and may he be the object of kind and loving bestowments such as I have received at their hands from time to time. Fraternaly,

H. E. Rountree.

MARRIED.

Brady- Gilliland.

Mr. Lonnie Brady and Miss Fannie Gilliland were united in the holy bonds of wedlock at Pleasant Grove church September 2nd, 1912. May much happiness be theirs.

W. S. Long.

Ashboro.

Ashboro, N. C. In the Historical sketch of the Asheboro Christian Church we find that it "grew out of a distinctive view of the principles, doctrines and policy of the Church by the resident members thereof in the town of Asheboro. "In Sept. 1893, Rev. W. T. Herndon was in Asheboro on a business trip and after consultation with interested parties, a meeting was called at the Presbyterian Church, an organization effected and a Building Committee appointed. With Sept. 24th 1905, the record closes and opens again in a consultation meeting Sept. 8th 1912 with the view of reorganizing the Church, the winter becoming pastor as Conference Missionary. There is a bit of unwritten history, filled with earnest effort, success and great discouragements, connected with the work. They erected a good building, furnished and the outlook grew hopeful.

The membership was not large but some of them have been very loyal. In the fall of 1905, I think it was, a severe storm passed over a portion of Asheboro and in its wake lay Christian Church building a complete wreck. They continued services a short time thereafter, but for six years, or there about, they have had no regular services, just an occasional sermon by some visiting preacher. Yesterday, Sept. 22nd, was my second service at Asheboro. At the morning service a reorganization was effected. We have on the roll twenty-eight members, some are non-resident and I have the names of four others to unite soon. In the recognition, Maj. E. Moffitt was elected Sec-Treas. and finance and membership committees were appointed and following members of the Christian Church living in Asheboro or High Point will please give their names.

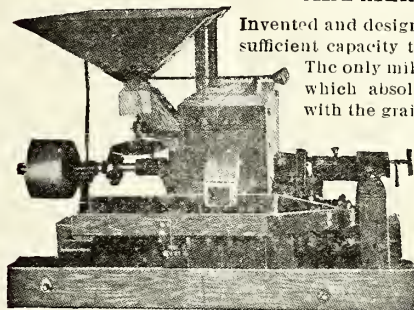
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